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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Jan-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	
	01/26/08	01/19/08	
Broiler/fryer	160,734	172,244	
Light hens	1,407	1,657	
Heavy hens	1,457	1,433	

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA ***DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING***

WEEK ENDING 12-Jan-08 (THOUSAND HEAD) LIGHT HENS HEAVY HENS TOTAL 0 Head 173 173 Head sltr Comparisons Last Week 186 0 186 Same week yr ago 238 0 238 To-date/2008 359 0 359 To-date/2007 292 292 0

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,754	1,524	3,278
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,291	1,123	2,414
Same week yr ago	1,379	1,285	2,664
To-date/2008	3,045	2,647	5,692
To-date/2007	2,319	2,611	4,930

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION WEEK ENDING 19-Jan-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
	CHICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS
Head	168,551	1,627	1,442	3,069
Avg Wt	5.35	3.19	7.88	5.39
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	168,128	1,581	1,524	3,105
Same wk yr ago	150,392	1,071	1,284	2,355
Avg Wt	5.43	3.45	7.95	5.90
To-date/2008	472,706	4,313	4,089	8,402
To-date/2007	445,118	3,098	3,895	6,993

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 167.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 170.6 million head, or 3.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 19-Jan-08

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
	4.25 lbs	4.26 -	6.26 -	7.76 lbs	
	& down	6.25 lbs	7.75 lbs	& up	Total
Head	47,852	84,062	21,746	14,891	168,551
Avg Live Wgt	3.70	5.38	6.84	8.27	5.35
% of total /1	28%	50%	13%	9%	100%
Last week	41,635	84,443	23,608	18,442	168,128
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.48	6.89	8.25	5.58
% of total /1	25%	50%	14%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,595	81,382	19,740	11,675	150,392
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.39	6.96	8.25	5.43
% of total /1	25%	54%	13%	8%	100%
To date/2008	123,092	237,283	63,556	48,775	472,706
To date/2007	115,235	234,534	62,290	33,059	445,118

- /1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.
- /2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

- (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.
- (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.
- (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.
- (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 19-Jan-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,860	2,859	9	17	4,745
Avg Wt	15.62	40.43	27.70	27.75	30.64
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,926	2,939	12	6	4,883
Same wk yr ago	1,578	2,540	22	2	4,142
Avg Wt	15.56	39.11	26.06	48.95	30.07
To-date/2008	5,155	8,080	28	24	13,287
To-date/2007	4,767	7,204	32	14	12,071

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (404) 562-5850.